

IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA AT CHANDIGARH

Crl. Misc. No. M-29176 of 2015(O&M)
Date of decision : September 14, 2015

Gurpreet Singh

..... Petitioner

Versus

State of Punjab

...Respondent

CORAM:- HON'BLE MRS. JUSTICE ANITA CHAUDHRY

1. Whether Reporters of the local papers may be allowed to see the judgment ?
2. To be referred to the Reporters or not ?
3. Whether the judgment should be reported in the Digest ?

**Present: Mr. Sarbjit Singh Grewal, Advocate
for the petitioner**

Mr. V.P.S. Sidhu, AAG Punjab

ANITA CHAUDHRY, J.

The petitioner is seeking regular bail in FIR No. 65 dated 25.08.2013 registered at Police Station Bhikhi, District Mansa under the NDPS Act.

Learned counsel for the petitioner contends that the co-accused Charna Singh had been allowed bail and he seeks parity. He states that the co-accused who was arrested in 2015 had been allowed bail and the petitioner is in custody since October 2014. He further states that out of 7 witnesses only 2 witnesses have been examined.

Learned State counsel informs that the petitioner was not arrested on the spot and was declared proclaimed offender but was arrested in October 2014.

Taking into account the quantity of contraband and also the fact that the main accused has been released on bail and the trial will take long time, the petition is allowed and the petitioner is directed to be released on regular bail on execution of adequate personal and surety bonds to the satisfaction of trial Court/Duty Magistrate.

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**(ANITA CHAUDHRY)
JUDGE**